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IN THE
UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Albert et al.

CASE: OST-021127

EXTENSION OF
TIME

SER. NO.: 10/657,756

FILING DATE: September 8, 2003

FOR: CATADIOPTRIC PROJECTION LENS AND
METHOD FOR COMPENSATING THE
INTRINSIC BIREFRINGENCE IN SUCH A
LENS

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EXAMINER:
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Dear Sir:

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 50-0545.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136, Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the period in which to file the response to the Office Action mailed January 21, 2005, regarding the above-identified patent application, for an additional three months, from April 21, 2005 up to, and including July 21, 2005.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136, Applicant respectfully submits that a response was originally required to be filed April 21, 2005, a period of three months from the mailing date of the Office Action; that the above-identified patent application is not involved in an interference proceeding; and that the Applicant herewith submits the three-month large entity Extension of Time fee of \$1,020.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a).

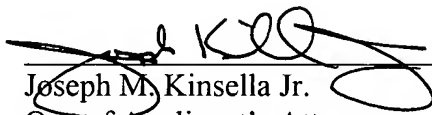
Applicant accordingly petitions for acceptance of the presently requested three-month extension of time.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned, at (312) 226-1818, is respectfully invited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: July 20, 2005



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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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